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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6881 DATE PREPARED: Feb 22, 2001 **BILL NUMBER:** HB 1699 **BILL AMENDED:** Feb 21, 2001

SUBJECT: Insurance Coverage for Contraceptives.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

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Summary of Legislation: (Amended) The bill requires insurers, health maintenance organizations (HMO), limited service health maintenance organizations, preferred provider plans (PPO), and Indiana Comprehensive Health Insurance Association (ICHIA) policies that: (1) provide coverage for basic health care services; and (2) provide coverage for outpatient prescription drugs and outpatient services provided by health care providers, to offer to provide equal coverage for contraceptive drugs, devices, and services. The bill exempts insurance policies issued by or to an entity that finds contraception incompatible with its religious and moral teachings and beliefs from the requirement to offer to provide equal coverage for contraceptive drugs, devices, and services. The bill also requires the state to consider covering contraceptive drugs, devices, and services under a self-insurance plan or a contract to provide health services offered to its employees. The bill also exempts coverage for abortifacients, including any drugs or devices that are intended to terminate a pregnancy after conception.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill mandates that insurance coverage for contraceptive drugs, devices, and services be **offered** by insurers, HMO's, limited service HMO's, PPO's, and ICHIA. The bill also requires the state *to consider* covering contraceptives in the state employee health plans. Since this bill does not impose any requirements on the state in the provision of health benefits to state employees, there would be no fiscal impact imposed on the state.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Similar to the state, since a mandated offering does not impose any requirements on local governments and school corporations in the provision of health benefits to their employees, there would be no fiscal impact on these entities.

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Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: All.

Local Agencies Affected: Local Government Units and School Corporations.

Information Sources:

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